GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4419
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SPEEDY TRIAL OF TERRORISTS IN COURTS
NIVEDITA MANE

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose speedy trials of terrorists in the courts and awarding maximum Punishment like life imprisonment and death penalty; and

(b) if so, the details of action taken ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): The Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance, 2001, proclaimed to provide a frame work of law to contain terrorism provides for constitution of Special Courts for speedy trials of offences under the Ordinance. Different scales of punishments (including life imprisonment and death penalty) have been prescribed under the Ordinance depending on the gravity of the offence committed.

All the State Governments/ UT Administrations have been advised to take necessary steps for implementation of the provisions of Prevention of Terrorism Ordinance, 2001.